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Wye's-Letter Verbatim, London, May 28.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France, and one from Holland.

ALL the Discourse is now upon the new Project which his Excellency Horatio Walpole is said to be going with to the Court of France, for an Accommodation of all Differences. The Particulars can't yet be known; but 'tis certain that the Court is resolved to use all the Methods that can possibly be for preserving Peace; because, should a War take Place, it may tend to undo what after a long Scene of Service and Toil has been done with respect to the Barrier, &c.

The Letters from Paris by the French Mail Yesterday, which are of the 3d of June N. S. advise, that their several Camps formerly mentioned, were to be formed the 15th of the said Month on the Sambre, Mozelle, &c. and that all the Officers were gone with their Equipages to repair thither. One would think that these Dispositions should quicken the Emperor to a Compliance. Mean time the Letters fro... Vienna confirm that he persists in his Resolution not to admit of any Alteration in the Quadruple Alliance: That he continues to send his Forces to Italy; and that the Army which is to be formed upon the Rhine, will be composed of Auxiliary Troops of different Princes and States of the Empire; And they say that his Imperial Majesty will form a considerable Camp near Luxemburg, to secure that Fortress against all Surprise. But notwithstanding all this, there are good Reasons to hope that the new Project for terminating the Differences, will soon have the desired Success, since it is (as given out) in a Manner equally agreeable to all the Parties.

Extract of a private Letter from Waalwyk in Flanders, June, 4.

"On the 28th past we had dreadful Thunder, "Lightning and Hail, most of the Stones whereof "were as large as a Tennis Ball, which lasting a "full Hour without Intermission, all the Corn on "the Ground was destroyed, as also the Trees, "Grass and Fruits of the Earth, and most or all "the Horses and Cattle killed in the Fields, and "the Houses and Churches much damaged: And "all appearing to be in Fire and Flames, the Peo"ple thought of nothing less but the World being "at an End. Six Districts, containing 2 Leagues "and a half in Breadth, and as much in Length, "being all laid waste, the Inhabitants are in a de"plorable Condition."

They write from Deal, that on the 24th Inst. a Ship of and for Dantzick passed the Goodwin Sands, and advises, that last Week three Algerine Rovers of 40 Guns each, fired many Shot at him off the Start, which took away his Main Yard and killed his Boatswain, but having a great Sea, they could not board him.

To-day the Lord Bishop of London held his Visitation at St. Pauls: On which Occasion a fine Sermon was preached by the Reverend Dr. Clark: After which his Lordship went into the Consistory, and gave a very learned Charge to the Clergy, particularly that they preach against Scepticism and Freethinking, for which there never was more Occasion. What *underhand* Encouragement Mr. Woolston may have we know not, but he has presumed to write a new Book, entituled, *A Defence of his Discourses on the Miracles of our Saviour, against the Bishops of St. Davids and London, and all his Adversaries*, and which was published yesterday; wherein he speaks in his former Strain, persists in his dangerous Errors, and shews as little Regard as ever to the Dignity of the aforementioned Prelates: And what is likewise surprising, he has the Assurance to dedicate this Book to the Lord Chief Justice Raymond; wherein however, he bestows, as every one else does, very just Encomiums on his Lordship's great Wisdom, Tenderness and Impartiality.

Letters from Gibraltar say, that they were eager to know the Success of the Scheme for establishing a Civil Government in that Town.

Last Tuesday Mynheer Hop the Dutch Envoy here, was married to a Sister of Sir John Lambert.

From

From the Evening Posts, May 28.

Moscow, April 28. The Princes Basil and Alexis Dolorucki have been exiled to the Frontiers by the Czarina; who 'tis said, soon after her Coronation, will go to Petersburg. 'Tis assured, that Prince Thamas is resolved, if possible, to make himself Master of all the Conquests in Persia made by the Czar Peter I. and that he has offered to the Grand Signor to ratify the Treaty made with Sultan Efref, on Condition his Highness will give no Succours to the Muscovites. The Jews have lent that Prince above 2 Millions of Rubles since taking Ispahan; and the Armenians and Indians have advanc'd him considerable Sums.

Rome, May 13. Cardinal Rufo continues ill of an Ague in the Conclave. Cardinal Cinfuegos labours all he can to re-establish the Party that had been formed in favour of that Cardinal, and to procure Votes enough to get him elected; but it is believed he will be hardly able to gain his Point, as well because the Albani's are against him, as because there is a strong Party form'd in favour of Cardinal Corsini, which Party several Cardinals of the Benedictine Faction have joined; insomuch that in the last Scrutiny his Eminence had thirty two Votes. Corsini was born in Florence the 7th of April 1652, and was created a Cardinal by Pope Clement XI. in the Consistory held the 17th of May 1706.

Brussels, May 25. On Sunday last, the Annual Procession was made here, in Remembrance of the Victory obtained by the Brabanters under the Command of Duke John I. sirnamed the Victorious, in 1288, over the Duke of Luxemburg and his Allies, at Woeringe near Cologn, whereby Limburg was annex'd to Brabant.

Vienna, May 20. In a Conference held at Laxemburg the 18th, the Generals who are to command in Italy were appointed, namely, the Field Marshal Count Merci, and the Generals Harrach, Veterani, Philippi, Waterborn, and Keyserswaifer; Count Merci is to command in Chief. The Duke of Wirtemberg, in quality of Field Marshal of the Empire, will command on the Rhine, and have under him the Prince of Beveren. A Report goes current, that the Kings of Poland and Prussia are resolved to employ all their Force in Defence of the Empire, in case it be attack'd. They write from Fiume, that the St. Leopold Man of War was arrived there from Naples with 11 Tartanes, which will speedily be followed by 29 more, to carry over 12 Battallions and 2 Companies of Grenadiers, to Barletta and Manfredonia.

Paris, June 3. Our Letters by last Post from Madrid brought nothing material.

Calais, June 4. Col. Lascelles, a British Engineer, is now at Dunkirk, inspecting the Condition of that Harbour.

PORT NEWS.

Leghorn, May 20. We are exceeding easy in relation to the present Juncture of Affairs, being satisfied the Introduction of D. Carlos will be settled to the Satisfaction of all Parties.

Barcelona, May 21. The much talk'd of Expedition to Italy goes on very slowly, so that we are of opinion here, that it will not be put in Execution this Summer; by which Time 'tis probable, that the Expence the Emperor will be at, and the fatiguing his Troops by long Marches, will bring him to Reason.

Deal, May 24. This Day sailed the *Three Friends*, for Dunkirk.

Gravesend, May 24. This Day arrived the *Duke of Charoſt*, Capt. Pepper, from Dunkirk.

New York, Feb. 16. We have Advice from Jamaica by two Sloops, That the Spaniards have taken Fourteen English Vessels in the Bay, and that the Masters were come to Jamaica before they left the Island, and two of them to New York; That a Spanish Pyrate had lately take[n] [a] large Sloop belonging to Mr. Funiel of Boston, and 'tis said, in cold Blood cut the Master and all his Men to Pieces, except the Cabbin-boy.

Durham, May 23. On Thursday a Gentleman, Son to a Scots Knight, riding Post from hence on his way to London, swore he would shoot the Boy, if he did not hasten his Way; the Boy told him he could not, at which taking the Fistol (tho' only as believed) to fright him, his Horse plying his Head, jogged him a little, which occasion'd the Discharge, and shot his Hand off; it hanging by a little Flesh or Tendon, he called and swore eagerly at the Boy to cut it off, who accordingly did so: Upon which he whipp'd his Hand into his Pocket, and rode on seemingly without any Concern at all, and 'tis reported he would proceed so to London.

Durham, May 25. As good Wheat as can grow out of the Earth, was sold this Day for 5 sh. the Bowl, and a great deal more ordinary for a less Price.

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London, May 26. The Commiſſioners appointed by his Majeſty to treat with thoſe of Spain, for deciding the Claims of the Subjects of the 2 Crowns, intending to ſet out in 15 Days; and being informed that ſeveral Merchants are doubtful in what Manner their Loſſes ought to be proved, they have thought proper to give Notice, that it is the Opinion of ſeveral Perſons skill'd in the Civil Law, that all Claims ſhould be made out in the Court of Admiralty, according to the general Practice of other Nations in like Caſes. And an humble Repreſentation having been made to the King, his Majeſty hath been graciouſly pleaſed to take upon himſelf the Payment of the Fees for authenticating ſuch Claims in ſaid Court.

It will be neceſſary to have Spaniſh Tranſlations of all Proofs and Documents, annex'd to the Engliſh.

His Majeſty has been pleaſed to grant his Letters Patent to JOHN ALLEN, *M. D.* of Bridgwater, (Author of the *Synopſis Medicina*) for three ingenious Inventions of his, viz. *The Navigating a Ship in Calm, The Improvement of the Engine for raiſing Water by Fire*, and *a new Method for drying Malt.* The Doctor has ſince printed theſe uſeful Diſquiſitions, in a Treatiſe intituled, *Specimina Ichnographica*, which he has preſented to his Majeſty, and was graciouſly received.

Yeſterday Iſaac Broderick the Schoolmaſter ſtood in the Pillory at Ratcliff croſs, purſuant to his Sentence for Sodomitical Practices with ſeveral of his Scholars. There was a Party of 40 Men of the Foot Guards ordered thither to take care that he might not be miſuſed by the Mob; but, notwithſtanding this Precaution, the Populace had but little Regard for the Soldiers. This Morning he attempted to cut his Throat in Newgate, but did not reach his Wind-pipe.

We hear that the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Ferrers, having for a conſiderable Time paſt been diſordered in his Senſes, is, by the great Care of Dr. Monro, ſo entirely recovered, that this Day he attended the Rt. Hon. the Lord Chancellor of G. Britain, who was ſo well pleaſed with his Lordſhip's preſent State, as to order him to be at liberty to go where he pleaſes.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales came to Mr. Heydegger's Aſſembly laſt Night in the Hay Market, where ten Couple danced, and his Royal Highneſs returned about 5 o'clock this Morning to Richmond.

On Tueſday Night his R. Highneſs the Prince of Wales and the Princeſs Royal, came to Town from Richmond in an open Chaiſe, and went to the Opera in the Haymarket, to ſee the Opera of *Ptolomey*. His Majeſty was expected likewiſe, but did not come.

On Sunday next his Excellency Horace Walpole Eſq; will ſet out for France, as his Majeſty's Ambaſſador to that Court; and the Rt. Hon. the Lord Harrington will not leave that Court till his Excellency's Arrival.

A French Nobleman is arrived here within theſe two Days from Paris; and 'tis ſaid he is charged with a Commiſſion from the French Court.

We hear that on Friday next his Majeſty's Ship the *Hector*, of 40 Guns, will be put in Commiſſion, to be commanded by Capt. Peter Solegard.

Yeſterday Commiſſions were delivered out to the three Lieutenants of his Majeſty's Ship the *Enterprize*.

On Tueſday 120 Recruits were ſhipp'd for Portmahon and Gibraltar.

They write from Plymouth, That the 24th Inſt. came in the *Fortune* of that Place, John Parſons, from St. Martin's, who reports, that the Day before about 10 o'clock, 8 Leagues from the Lizard, he ſaw 3 Algerine Rovers, one about 50 Guns, and the other two about 40 Guns each; two of them are new Ships, prim'd red from Head to Stern; the Commodore (as Capt. Parſons ſuppoſed, ſince the other two obſerv'd his Motions) ſtood after him under Dutch Colours, commanding him to bring to, and having examined him, ordered him to go about his Buſineſs. The Captain ſaid they had but little Sail, ſtanding under their Double Reef Topſails and Courſes; they had a great Number of Men on board.

Circular Letters have been ſent, by Order of the Treaſury, to all the Receivers General of the Land-Tax in the ſeveral Counties and Shires of Great Britain; requiring them forthwith to tranſmit to their Lordſhips an Account of their own Eſtates real and perſonal, alſo an Account of thoſe of their reſpective Securities, &c.

The Place of Secretary to the Scots Equivalent Office, kept in Freeman's Yard in Cornhill, being vacant by the Reſignation of the late Secretary, we hear that Mr. William Bury, a Clerk of the South-Sea Houſe, and a Gentleman of an excellent Character, will ſucceed.

Edin.

Edinburgh, June 2. On Friday the Regiment commanded to the Rt. Honourable the Earl of Deloraine, came to Prestonpans, Musselburgh, &c. from England, in their way to the North.

This Day Alexander Fraser of Strichen Esq; gave in to the Rt. Honourable the Lords of Council and Session his Majesty's Letter, presenting him as one of the Ordinary Lords of Session; and the same was read and recorded: And accordingly is to pass the usual Trials in order to his Admission.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶¶+ Stoln or Strayed, on the 31st of May last, a sturdy Dark-brown HORSE, 15 Hands high, going seven Years, black Mane and Tail, switch'd, a little wide ear'd. As likewise, a Light-brown, Eel-back'd POUNIE, black Mane (cut) and Tail, not dock'd, but flogged; a little Bell in his Face, 12 Hands high, going 6 Years. Whoever will give Notice of the saids Horses to Mr. John Mercer Writer in Perth, or David Gall Writer in Edinburgh, to be found at the Houe of John Hodge Writer in the Assembly-Close, so as they may be recovered, shall have a sufficient Reward, and no Questions ask'd.

Stamp-office, Edinb. May 30, 1730.

By a Clause in an Act of last Session of Parliament, intituled, *An Act for continuing the Duties on Malt, Mum, Cyder and Perry in that Part of Great Britain called* Scotland, *&c.* (of which Notice is given in the *Gazette*) all Masters and Mistresses who have ommitted to pay his Majesty's Duties of Sixpence in the Pound for every Sum of Fifty Pounds or under, and of Twelve Pence in the Pound for every Sum amounting to more than Fifty Pounds, given with Clerks or Apprentices; or to insert the full Sum in their Indentures: Are Acquitted and Discharged from the Penalties incurr'd by such Ommissions, on their paying those Duties on or before the Twenty-fourth of June 1730, and tendering the said Indentures or other Writings to be stamped at the same Time, or at any other Time, on or before the Twenty-ninth of September 1730.

Wm. JONES, Head Collector of the Stamp-Duties for North-Britain.

¶¶ The BLEACHING-COMPANY at *DALQHURN* will continue to take in Cloth till the Twenty-fifth Day of June Inst: After which Time, no more Cloth will be taken in for this Season. The Prices of Bleaching continue at Five Pence, and Six Pence, as formerly advertised. The Cloth to be delivered in to JAMES MACGHIE, Merchant, at his Shop in the Head of the West-bow, Edinburgh, or to LAURENCE SCOT, Merchant in Glasgow, at his House in the Tron-gate.

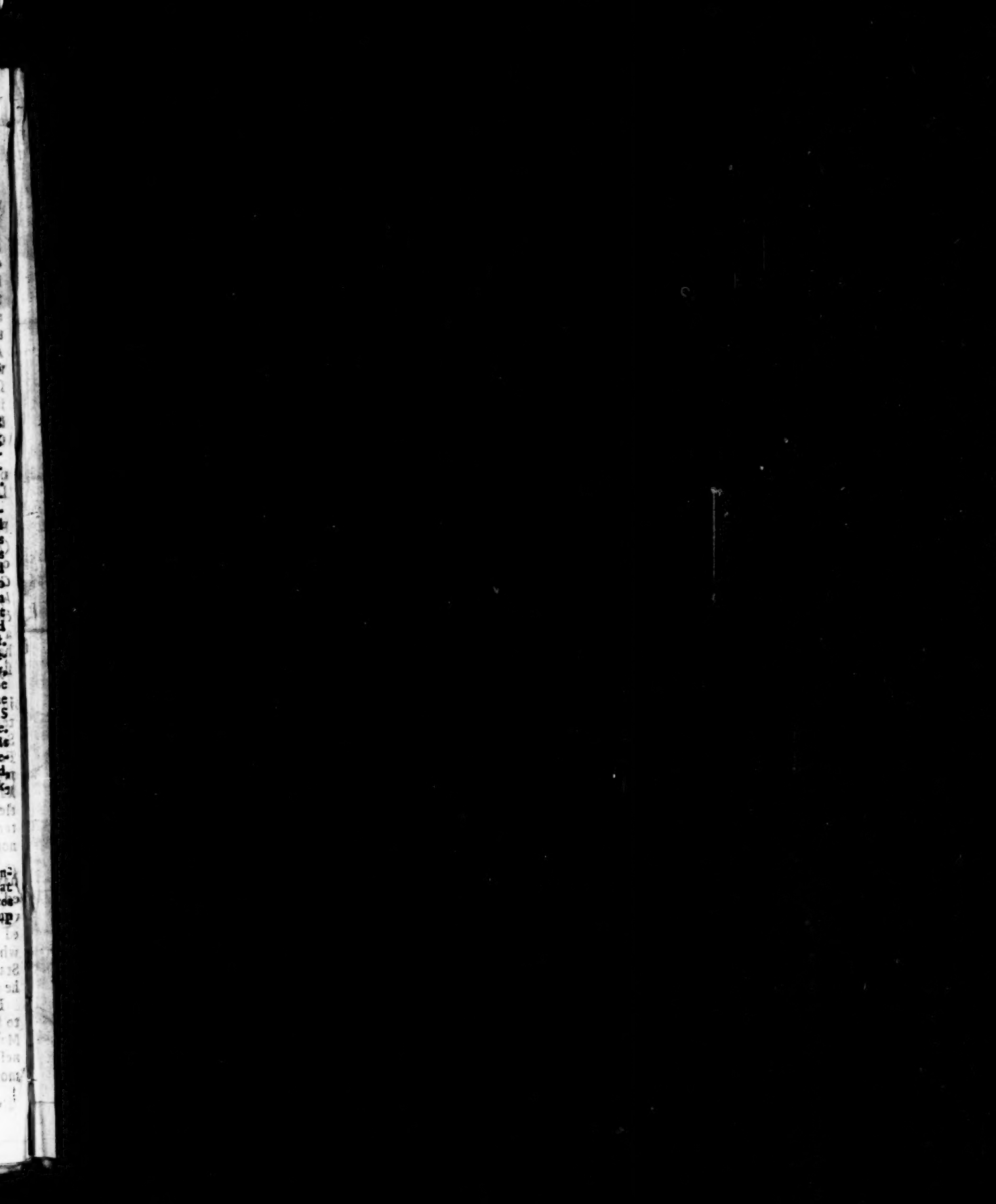
By ADJOURNMENT:

¶¶¶ That the Lands and Barony of TEMPLE, holding Feu of the Crown, lying within 7 Miles of Edinburgh and 3 of Dalkeith, and within the Parish of Temple and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh; being of yearly Rent, *L.* 236 Scots, besides Kain and Carriages, most inclosed, and all set in good Tenantry; with a good House, Office houses, Pigeon-house, Garden, Wood, Coal, with much Planting, and the Right of Patronage of the said Parish: Are to be exposed to Sale by voluntar Roup, upon the 2d Thursday of June Inst. (being the 11th of this Month) in John's Coffeehouse, 'twixt the Hours of 2 & 4 in the Afternoon. The Progress, Rental, and Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of JOHN HAMILTON Writer to the Signet, at his House in the Assembly-close.

By ADJOURNMENT,

¶¶ That the Lands of *Easter-Harburnhead*, of *L.* 538 06, 08 Scots of yearly Rent, with a convenient Dwelling House two Storeys high, with good and convenient Office-houses, all lately repaired, and some little planted inclosures. The Lands of *Wester-Harburnhead*, *L.* 266 13 04. *Middle-Muir*, *L.* 72 13 04; 16 Bolls Meal; lying contiguous. The Lands of *Dresselrig* and *Sandiegate*, *L.* 109 Money, 10 Bolls Meal, 1 Boll Oats; a Pendicle thereof call'd *Backstonfoord*, *L.* 26 06 08 Money, 4 Bolls Meal. The Lands of *Wellheads* of *Williamston*, *L.* 191 02 04 Money, 10 Bolls Meal, yearly Rent; all lying in the Parishes of Mid and West Calders, and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh; all set to good and sufficient Tenants, at the above Rent, conform to Tacks. To be holden Feu of the Crown, or of the Right Honourable the Lord of Torphichen: ARE to be Rouped and Sold on Thursday the Eleventh Day of June Inst. in the House of Robert Broun Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, jointly or separately, as hereto subjoined, in four different Parcels; and to be set up at easy Rates. The Rental, Progress, and the Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of JAMES SCOT Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Byres's Close, or George Dick Writer in Mid-Calder. *Nota.* The Lands are very improvable, being partly Muir and partly Dale-Lands; a Slate Quarey in the Lands of Easter-Harburnhead, Moss in several of the Mailings, and a Lime Quarey in Backstonefoord, and lying near to several Coal-heughs:

1. *Easter Harburnhead* and *Middlemuir*.
2. *Wester-Harburnhead*.
3. *Wellheadlands* of *Williamston*.
4. *Dresselrig*, *Sandygate* and *Backstonford*.

Nota. If any Person has a-mind to purchase upon reasonable Terms, before the Day of Roup, they may enquire at the said *James Scot*, or *George Dick*; at both which Places they may be treated with. And the Lands are to be set up at easier Rates than formerly.

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